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Programming and Allocations Committee
February 12, 2014
Minutes

Chair Glover called the meeting to order at approximately 10:50 a.m. Committee members present were: Vice Chair Campos, Commissioners Bates, Dodd, Pirzynski, Quan, Sartipi, Tissier, and Wiener. Commission Chair Worth and Vice Chair Cortese were present as ex-officio voting members of the Committee. Other Commissioners present as ad hoc non-voting members of the Committee were: Giacopini, Haggerty, Halsted, Luce, and Spering.

Consent Calendar

The Committee unanimously approved the following consent items after a motion by Commissioner Tissier and a second by Commissioner Pirzynski:

- Minutes of the January 8, 2014 meeting;
- Cycle 1 and Cycle 2 One Bay Area Grant (OBAG) Program: Project selections and programming revisions. MTC Resolution Nos. 4035, Revised and 3925, Revised;
- Allocation of \$2.4 million in RM2 funds and \$1.1 million in AB 1171 funds for the Transbay Terminal. MTC Resolution Nos. 3651, Revised and 3914, Revised;
- Allocation of \$25.6 million in State Transit Assistance (STA) funds to Bay Area Rapid Transit district (BART) to support transit operations and \$4.8 million to the Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority (VTA) for the Lifeline program. MTC Resolution No. 4101, Revised;
- Revisions to FY2010-11 and FY2011-12 AB 664 programs to make Caltrain's Revenue Vehicle Rehab program eligible within the previously allocated funding amount. MTC Resolution Nos. 4013, Revised and 4043, Revised;
- Revisions to the Lifeline Transportation Program Third Cycle Program of Projects. MTC Resolution Nos. 4053, Revised, 4084, Revised and 4086, Revised;
- Revisions to the FY2013-14 Transit Capital Priorities (TCP) program of projects to address changed project priorities and the loss of FY2010-11 Lifeline Funding. MTC Resolution No. 4084, Revised;
- Programming \$10 million in MTC Exchange funds in lieu of federal funds for the Transit Oriented Affordable Housing (TOAH) fund. MTC Resolution No. 3989, Revised; and
- RM2 Safe Routes to Transit (SR2T) Fifth Cycle Grant Program. MTC Resolution No. 3735, Revised.

In addition, the Committee received one item for information: the Quarterly Report of Executive Director's Delegated Authority Actions.

Regional

- ***Regional Measure 2 (RM2) Capital Program Update.***

Kenneth Folan and Anne Richman, MTC Programming and Allocations Section, presented preliminary recommendations for a Delivery Strategy for RM2 capital projects that are experiencing funding and/or implementation challenges.

Commissioner Quan asked if funds are being transferred to the San Leandro or the Oakland section of the AC Transit's BRT project and the reason for the required fund repayment. Ms. Bockelman explained that staff is proposing to transfer funds for the entire project and that the funding plan for the BRT project relies on \$41 million from the Alameda County STIP which is not available in the time frame required to complete the project. The repayment will be from future Alameda County STIP funds, not from AC Transit.

Commissioner Quan requested confirmation that with the transfer of the savings from the Caldecott Tunnel project there would be enough funding left over for the additional bike lane improvements. Commissioner Sartipi (Caltrans) confirmed that the RM2 savings account for extended obligations on the Caldecott Tunnel project such as landscaping and bike improvements projects.

Commissioner Pirzynski commented that the JPB partners have already contributed funding to the Electrification project and asked if the match that staff is proposing takes this into account or if there is an additional match that will be required. Mr. Heminger explained that staff's proposal is for a new match and that two of the three counties already have their committed money in hand and the third county, San Francisco, is still working on it.

Commissioner Bates suggested that the expansion of WETA's ferry service take place in Richmond rather than Berkeley because land side accessibility to the ferry would be better in Richmond. Ms. Bockelman explained that WETA's direction could be consistent with his suggestion and staff will report back to the Committee in the next few months after the WETA Board considers the options.

Commissioner Worth commented that servicing the East Bay residents and existing land use patterns is an important factor in terms of accessibility of the ferry facilities. Mr. Heminger explained that the statute does put Richmond on deck after Berkeley but new ferry service faces ridership challenges.

Public Comments:

Nina Rannells, WETA Executive Director, commented that they are conducting environmental studies in both Berkeley and Richmond and look forward to working with MTC staff and then reporting back to the Committee. From WETA staff's perspective, the Richmond ferry service ridership forecast looks positive.

Cindy Winter (Marin Deserves Better), Patrick Seidler (Transportation Alternatives for Marin) and Maureen Gaffney (ABAG/Bay Trail) spoke in support of staff's recommendations for the North/South Greenway.

David Schonbrunn (TRANSDEF) spoke in favor of the RM2 funding for the North/South Greenway but was against redirecting funding from the Dumbarton Rail project to other projects.

Tim Fisker (Fremont resident) spoke in favor of redirecting the Dumbarton Rail project funding to other projects.

This item was presented for information only and no action was required by the Committee at this time.

- ***Revision to the FY2013-14 Fund Estimate and the FY2013-14 Regional Measure 2 (RM2) Operating Program for BART strike reimbursement. MTC Resolution Nos. 4098, Revised and 4086, Revised.***

Theresa Romell, MTC Programming and Allocations Section, presented revisions to the FY2013-14 Fund Estimate and the FY2013-14 Regional Measure 2 (RM2) Operating Program to reimburse various operators for extra costs for services provided in response to the recent BART strikes.

The Committee, upon the motion of Commissioner Pirzynski with a second by Commissioner Tissier, unanimously approved the referral of MTC Resolution Nos. 4098, Revised and 4086, Revised to the Commission for approval.

- ***MTC FY2014-15 Fund Estimate. MTC Resolution No. 4133.***

Theresa Romell, MTC Programming and Allocations Section, presented the FY2014-15 Fund Estimate including the proposed apportionments and distribution of the Transportation Development Act (TDA), State Transit Assistance (STA), Assembly Bill (AB) 1107 sales tax and transit related bridge toll funds for FY2014-15.

Commissioner Quan asked why the State Transit Assistance funding is down by five percent. Ms. Romell explained this is an estimate provided by the State and is tied to the price of diesel fuel.

The Committee, upon the motion of Commissioner Tissier with a second by Commissioner Pirzynski, unanimously approved the referral of MTC Resolution No. 4133 to the Commission for approval.

California Transportation Commission Update

Alix Bockelman, Programming and Allocations Section, provided the Committee a brief update on the California Transportation Commission (CTC) meeting held on January 29 in Sacramento, CA. Highlights included the election of Carl Guardino as Chair for the coming year and the approval of the Active Transportation Guidelines which provide regional funding of \$30 million for bike and pedestrian projects.

Public Comment/ Information

Commissioner Quan commented that she and Commissioner Bates have been working on east bay corridor bike and pedestrian projects and requested that staff assist in augmenting regional planning money for these efforts.

Chair Glover adjourned the meeting at approximately 11:40 a.m.